

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1644**

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Ferrara et al.	Examiner:	HUYNH, PHUONG N
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 10, 2006, the date for timely reply extended three months to October 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.